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No. 2066.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1888.

SIX DOLLARS PER QUARTER

Banks.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—THE BUSINESS of the above BANK will be conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on their premises in Hongkong. Business Hours on WEEK-DAYS, 10 to 3; SATURDAYS, 10 to 1.

2.—SUMS LESS THAN $1, or MORE THAN $250 at one time will not be received. No Depositor may deposit more than $2,500 in any one year.

3.—DEPOSITORS in the SAVINGS BANK, having $100, or more, at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—INTEREST at the rate of 3½ °/ₒ per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

5.—EACH DEPOSITOR will be supplied gratis with a PASS-BOOK, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their PASS-BOOKS, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—CORRESPONDENCE as to the Business of the Bank, if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, will be forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—WITHDRAWALS may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his PASS-BOOK, are necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1887. [9

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL ....£2,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL .... 500,000.

Registered Office, 40, THREADNEEDLE STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT, Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE, ISSUES LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards BILLS for COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:
Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.
„ 6 „ 4 „ „
„ 3 „ 3 „ „

ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS 2 per Cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.

APPROVED CLAIMS on the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the BALANCES of such claims, purchased on advantageous terms.

AGENCY OF THE NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.
HONGKONG BRANCH.

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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ....$7,500,000.
RESERVE FUND ....4,000,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS .... 7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
CHAIRMAN—Hon. JOHN BELL-IRVING.
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CHIEF MANAGER.
HONGKONG—THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER.
SHANGHAI—EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 3 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and every description of BANKING and EXCHANGE business transacted.

DRAFTS granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1888. [8

To be Let.

TO LET.

NOS. 53, 55, 57, PEEL STREET, opposite UNION CHURCH.

Apply to
EDWARD GEORGE.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1888. [1001

TO LET.

ROOMS in "COLLEGE CHAMBERS."

GODOWN in ICE HOUSE LANE, lately occupied by Messrs. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, from the 1st August.

Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1888. [12

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersigned at 12 O'CLOCK (NOON), on SATURDAY, the 27th October instant.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 27th inst., both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 8th October, 1888. [1009

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1887.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last in order that the distribution of the Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 30th day of November next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1888. [1045

PROSPECTUS.

SINGAPORE HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

INCORPORATED UNDER THE "INDIAN COMPANIES' ACT, 1866."

CAPITAL: $750,000 (with power to increase), divided into 7,500 shares of $100 each, payable as follow:—

$20 ON APPLICATION. $20 ON ALLOTMENT, Futher Calls not exceeding $20 each, to be made at intervals of not less than three months.

(It is not expected that more than $55 per share will be called up before the end of 1889.)

If no allotment be made, the deposit will be returned in full.

Share Lists will CLOSE on 14th November, 1888.

DIRECTORS:
WILLIAM ADAMSON, ESQ., (Messrs. GILFILLAN WOOD & Co.)
ANDREW CURRIE, ESQ., (The BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED)
WILLIAM DOUGAL, ESQ., (Manager, CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.)
HON'BLE J. FINLAYSON, M.L.C. (Messrs. BOUSTEAD & Co.)
J. P. WADE GARD'NER, ESQ., (Manager, HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION).
HON. H. W. GEIGER, M.L.C., (Agent, PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION Co.)
W. E. HOOPER, ESQ., (Messrs. A. L. JOHNSTON & Co.)
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C. STRINGER, ESQ., (Messrs. PATERSON, SIMONS & Co.)

BANKERS:
CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA;
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SOLICITORS:
MESSRS. DONALDSON & BURKINSHAW.

SECRETARY (pro. tem.)
JAMES KERR, ESQ.

HEAD OFFICE:
SINGAPORE.

THIS COMPANY has been formed for the purpose of supplying the want which has been felt for many years past, of a well-planned and well-fitted modern hotel of sufficient dimensions to accommodate the large and constantly growing passenger traffic through Singapore, as well as supply the great demand for temporary or permanent residential chambers.

Singapore is the chief town of the British Crown Colony of the Straits Settlements, and is a leading place of call and coaling port on the great steam lines of communication with the Far East. It is moreover the centre of an extensive trade with India, China, the Dutch Indies, the Philippines, Siam, and other countries.

The present hotel accommodation in Singapore is quite inadequate, and it is proposed to acquire the fine site now partly occupied by the HOTEL de L'EUROPE, and build thereon a hotel of much larger dimensions, and greatly improved construction and arrangement. Fully detailed plans have been prepared and the engagement of a first-class Manager is already secured.

Prospectus and Forms of Application may be had at any of the Agencies of the Company's Bankers, the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION and the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA, or Mr. D. McCULLOCH.

A certain number of Shares will be reserved by the Directors for Allotment to Hongkong Applicants.

APPLICANTS FOR SHARES will have to pay 1 per cent. extra for the difference in Exchange between this Port and Singapore.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1888. [1025

MACAO.

WANTED to purchase, in a good situation in Macao, Small FAMILY RESIDENCE commanding a sea-view. Price must be Moderate. Apply with full particulars, by letter only, to

W. H.,
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.

Hongkong, 25th September, 1888. [954

Intimations.

PIANOS FOR SALE. **A. HAHN,** PIANOS ON HIRE.

PIANO TUNER AND REPAIRER.

I HAVE JUST RECEIVED, EX S.S. "NIOBE," A NEW LOT OF

PIANOS,

In Black and Walnut, especially built at *my own design* including *all improvements*, so very much needed in *This Climate*. All my orders have been executed by my *Piano Agents* in *Berlin* to *my entire satisfaction*.

A short visit of inspection to my new premises will fully repay the trouble.

No. 22, ELGIN STREET.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1077

THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, LIMITED,

1888 AUTUMN AND WINTER SEASONS 1888.

New Goods in all Departments.

LATEST NOVELTIES.

EX ENGLISH, FRENCH, AND GERMAN MAILS.

NOW OPENING OUT.

NEW AUTUMN and WINTER DRESS GOODS, SILKS, SATINS, PLUSHES, JERSEYS, SILK CASHMERE, and LISLE THREAD, HOSIERY, SUNSHADES, UMBRELLAS, TOWELS, BLANKETS, FLANNELS, QUILTS, LONG CLOTHS, TABLE LINENS, JAPANESE EMBROIDERY GOODS, [illegible]EENS, TEA and COFFEE SETS, ELECTRO PLATED WARE, TRAVELLING TRUNKS, STATIONERY, &c., &c.

JUST LANDED.

A splendid variety of SUITINGS and TROUSERINGS, the Largest, Choicest and most Fashionable Stock ever imported to Hongkong.

SADDLERY DEPARTMENT.

PIGSKIN SADDLES (4 to 8lbs.) BRIDLES and BITS, SADDLE CLOTHS SUITS of CLOTHING, WHIPS, CURRY COMBS, BRUSHES and all STABLE requisites.

NOTICE TO RIFLE AND ROWING CLUBS.

An immense stock of HANDSOME TROPHIES SUITABLE for the above.
Now on view at exceptionally LOW PRICES.

THE HALL & HOLTZ
CO-OP. CO., LD.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [919

W. BREWER'S

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS.

—(o)—

1.—The very beautiful Series of Hand Painted Silk Pictures mounted on gilt edge bevelled Cards with designs of Junks, *Jinrickshas*, Sampans *Grotesque Kites*, Eastern Fruits and Flowers and Illustrations of Habits and Customs of the people among which we live, with appropriate Christmas and New Years Mottoes.

2.—An entirely New Series of beautifully designed Autograph Cards in variety of shapes, such as Tennis Bats, Old Shoes, Oyster Shells, Yachts, all to open and display most artistic work.

3.—Prang's very handsome American Cards in boxes.

4.—Most beautiful Etched and Monotint Cards in boxes of one dozen, very cheap and Artistic.

5.—Cheap Cards for children 5 cents each a great variety.

And the very popular Pidgin English Sing Song Cards in the old and new forms.

Altogether forming the best Collection of Cards ever shewn in the East and the prices extremely reasonable.

LETTS' DIARIES, NORTH CHINA DATE BLOCKS.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1888. [100

ROBERT LANG & CO.,

TAILORS, HATTERS, SHIRTMAKERS, AND GENERAL OUTFITTERS.

NEW GOODS.

TALL SILK HATS.
„ Drab Felt Hats.
Black, Brown Drab and Grey Hard Felt Hats.
Terai and other Soft Felts.
Tweed Hats and Caps in New Shapes.
Straw Hats and Pith Hats.
Silk Umbrellas from $5 each, over 100 to choose from.
A large assortment of Walking Sticks.
Waterproof Coats, Leggings & Chair Aprons.
Travelling Rugs and Scotch Mauds.

Over Coatings, Light & Heavy.
Ulster Tweeds.
Fine Black Diagonal & Corkscrew for Dress Suits.
Black, Blue and Brown Fancy and Diagonal Coatings.
Fancy & Check Tweed Suitings.
Trouserings in great variety of Stripes, Checks and Plain.
Cricketing Flannel, Stripes, Checks and Plain.
White and Fancy Vestings.
French Printed Shirtings.
Unshrinkable Flannel.
Ready Made Ulsters in Stock.
Solid Leather Portmanteaus.

Overland Trunks, Gladstone Bags, and a variety of Travelling Cases, all sizes.
Winter, Medium and Summer Under Vests and Pants.
Silk Half-Hose, Black, Navy and Colors.
Lamb's Wool Merino and Lisle Thread Half-Hose.
White Dress Shirts.
Lacing & Elastic-side Walking Boots and Shoes.
Shooting Boots, Rubber Boots.
Patent Leather Boots & Shoes.
Dancing Pumps, all sizes.
Large Stock of Scarfs, Ties, Handkerchiefs, Braces, &c.

ROBT. LANG & CO.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1888. [91

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

ARE NOW SHOWING THEIR FIRST BATCH OF

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S CARDS

THE LEADING NOVELTIES OF WHICH CONSIST OF

(a.)—A Series of Beautifully painted panel Cards specially painted for us in Water Colours by CHINESE ARTISTS, depicting Chinese Social Life with suitable greetings in English and Chinese.

(b.)—CHISAI KAKEMONOS: A pair of Miniature Kakemonos, specially produced for us in Japan, enclosed in a characteristic native Card-board box with the season's greetings in English and Chinese.

(c.)—A New Series of Grouped PHOTOGRAPHIC VIEWS of HONGKONG in Miniature, Mounted and Unmounted.

(d.)—A large collection of the newest and most ARTISTIC DESIGNS IN ENGLISH MANUFACTURE, representing the very best productions of the best makers.

(e.)—Our Stock of PRANG'S HIGH CLASS AMERICAN CARDS will arrive in about a fortnight, fully three weeks in advance of the latest Mail date required to reach home for Christmas.

NOTE:—The English Mail of November 22nd is due in London on Christmas Eve.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 19th October, 1888. [7

Masonic.

EOTHEN MARK ⊥ LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely.

Hongkong, 20th October, 1888. 1064

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "PATHAN," FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 29th October, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 29th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1888. [1046

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

THE "GIBB" LINE.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, VIA SINGAPORE AND JAVA.

Calling at PORT DARWIN and taking through Cargo for QUEENSLAND PORTS, ADELAIDE, TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, &c.

THE British Steamer

"GHAZEE,"

Captain Scotland, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 27th instant, at 6 P.M.

Attention is directed to this Steamer's comfortable Saloon and State Rooms, affording excellent Accommodation for First Class Passengers.

Fare to Sydney or Melbourne $150.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Managers.

Hongkong, 24th October, 1888. [985

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"NINGCHOW,"

W. C. Durdin, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 27th October.

For Freight, ect., apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 13th October, 1888. [1032

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBE.

(PASSING THROUGH THE INLAND SEA.)

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"ANCONA"

will leave for the above places on SUNDAY, the 28th October, at DAYLIGHT.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1888. [3

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"RAVENNA"

will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the outward English Mails.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1888. [3

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"PEMBROKESHIRE,"

D. Williams, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 31st inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th October, 1888. [1068

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 A. I. I. American Ship

"GREAT ADMIRAL,"

J. F. Rowell, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 18th September, 1888 [924

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Ship

"LEADING WIND,"

Hinckley, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 18th October, 1888. [1054

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. Norwegian Bark

"ISABEL,"

Howe, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 13th October, 1888. [1033

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Ship

"RAPHAEL,"

Harkness, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 13th October, 1888. [1034

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO"

will be despatched for San Francisco, *via* Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 27th October, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, and Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To San Francisco.......................$200.00
To San Francisco and return, available for 6 months............ 350.00
To Liverpool.......................... 325.00
To London.............................. 330.00

To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 6th October 1888. [1

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO,

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

ON SUNDAY, the 28th day of October, 1888, at 10 A.M., the Company's Steamship "NECKAR," Captain H. Supmer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE & CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m., on the 27th October, 1888. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the AGENT'S Office). Contents and Value of Packages are required.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1888. [4

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE;

VIA

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,

AND

ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship

"GAELIC"

will be despatched for San Francisco, *via* Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th November, at THREE P.M.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and the same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—
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C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1888.

Announcements.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

OUR NEW SEASON'S

FLOWER AND VEGETABLE SEEDS

ARE NOW READY.

Flower Parcels of 50 Packets, price, $10.00
" " of 20 " " 5.00
Vegetable " of 45 " " 7.53

Single Packets at list prices.

SPECIAL FLORIST'S SEEDS.

In Packets of six or more named varieties, viz:—

CLOVE PINKS—PANSIES—PHLOX—HOLLYHOCKS—PORTULACA, VERBENA and PETUNIA.

MIGNONETTE MACHEL
(The New Variety).

Priced Catalogue on application.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
Hongkong, 31st August, 1888. [5

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1888.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter.)

MINISTERIAL CRISIS IN FRANCE.

LONDON, October 23rd.

At a Cabinet Council it has been decided to introduce an income tax to which the Chambers object, and a crisis is impending in consequence.

(From *Straits Times.*)

THE FRENCH CHAMBERS.

PARIS, October 16th.

The French Chambers have re-opened. M. Floquet submitted a Revision bill which proposes duration of the Ministries, subject only to direct interpellation at the third Senate Chamber to retire biennially, thus rendering dissolution needless. The Bill also reduces the legislative and financial powers of the Senate.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE home news brought on by the French mail has already been discounted by the telegrams published in our columns.

THE Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co. courteously informs us that the steamship *Ravenna*, with the next English mail, left Singapore for this port at 9 a.m. to-day.

A REGULAR Convocation of Cathay Chapter, No. 1165, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting companions are cordially invited.

THE Captain of the steamship *Anton*, which arrived yesterday from Swatow reports having passed the British ship *Ruby* off Pulo Sapata on the 12th inst, steering S.W. and wishing to be reported all well.

WE have received by French mail a copy of a work entitled "The Bogus Surveyor, or a Short History of a Peculiar People," the author of which is an old contributor to the *Hongkong Telegraph*. We shall review it in an early issue.

THE second defeat of Hanlan for the sculling Championship of the World by Peter Kemp on the Parramatta River, Sydney, on September 28th, would appear to prove beyond dispute that the once invincible Canadian sculler has finally 'shot his bolt' so far as championship honours are concerned. Hanlan at his best was probably the best sculler of modern days, but hard training has told the inevitable tale, and he is now but the shadow of the man who rowed clean away from Lumsden, Elliott, Boyd, Wallace Ross, Trickett, and other celebrities.

A NOTICE in the *Peking Gazette* states that during the present year the salt revenue of Chekiang was required to furnish a sum of Tls. 220,000 as contribution towards the Peking subsidy, and Tls. 50,000 to aid in defraying the expenses of the Imperial Household, one half of which was to be forwarded in the first six months of the year, and the remainder before its close. Tls. 110,000 of the former and Tls. 25,000 of the latter contribution have already been forwarded, and the Governor now reports the transmission of Tls. 50,000 and Tls. 10,000 as further instalments to the respective funds.

A SEARCH party consisting of Baron von Hugo and Baron von Schulenburg, the companions *de voyage* of the Landgrave of Hesse, and Captain Sachs, of the Imperial German Consulate of Singapore, left Singapore on the 17th instant in the steamer *Celebes* for Muntok to try to discover the body of the late Prince. The party will, it is expected, be a fortnight on this tour, and will visit as many places as possible, and investigate whether the body of the Landgrave has perhaps been washed on shore or whether he is still alive and has been picked up. This looks remarkably like a fool's errand.

WHEN Madame Patti was in Philadelphia she was so struck by the beautiful voice of a little street singer that she took the pretty *chanteuse* into her carriage, drove off to the child's father—a ship's carpenter in humble circumstances—and proposed to charge herself with the girl's musical education, intending to make a great vocalist of her. Of course, the poor man jumped at the offer, and said "Yes" on the spot. Madame Patti's *protégée* behaved so oddly on board the Atlantic liner, however, that upon reaching London the *diva's* suspicions were aroused, and in the result the *charmante fille* was found to be a *charmant garçon*.

MESSRS. Carlowitz & Co. inform us that the steamship *Bormida*, of the Navigazione Generale Italiana, left Singapore for this port to-day.

WE are requested to state that the members of the Hongkong Sketching Club will be glad to see their friends at the City Hall to-morrow afternoon, from 3.30 to 6 o'clock, when a combined exhibition will be held.

SAYS the *Courrier d'Haiphong*:—Touron is rapidly undergoing a wonderful transformation. Those who have seen the city a year ago would scarcely recognise it now. Fresh merchants have appeared on the scene, counting-houses are being opened, large premises built, and by night the city is lighted in the same improved fashion as is adopted in Hanoi and Haiphong. The commercial movement now going on in Touron is most important. Vessels running between Hué, Thuan-an and Touron are constantly arriving at and departing from the latter place. The harbour is excellent, and the city, thanks to M Gouin's administration, is gradually becoming an emporium of trade.

THE Macao *Independente*, faithful to its old traditions of heaping insult on its betters, has now undertaken the task of libelling Colonel Garcia of the Macao garrison. This gentleman is saddled with most of the troubles and sorrows of Timor where he was Acting Governor for a couple of months. The fact that the murderers of the late Governor Maia have not yet been indicted and convicted, Governor A. da Costa's recent resignation, and several other events in that semi-savage dependency of Portugal, are, by a peculiar process of Machiavellic logic, attributed to Colonel Garcia. It is to be hoped the worthy officer will resort to legal means to administer to the sordid clique of the Macao reviler the lesson they so richly deserve.

A CRICKET match will be played between the Hongkong C. C. and Officers of the 58th Regiment to-morrow at 2 p.m., to be continued on Saturday at 11 a.m. The following are the teams:—

E. J. Coxon (Capt.)
Major Johnston, R.E.
Major Mills, R.A.
E. M. Blair, R.E.
T. E. Davies.
T. S. Smith.
A. de C. Scanlan, M.S.
Dr Sparrow, R.N.
C. S. [illegible]
Capt. Stanley.
Another.

Major Churchill (Capt.)
E. O. Smith.
A. A. Lloyd.
C. E. Higginbotham.
C. P. Peller.
H. de C. Huntsman.
F. H. Johnstone.
J. Little
Corp. Spinks.
Pte. Taylor.
Pte. Warburton.

By kind permission of Col. Anderson and the Officers of the 58th Regt., their Band will play on Saturday afternoon. Tiffin will be provided on the Ground on Saturday.

SAYS the *Straits Times* of the 17th inst.:—The news of renewed disturbances in Java will not come by surprise upon those who have taken note of events in that island as recorded of late in our columns. The province of Madium lies in Mid Java, where two petty kingdoms—Surakarta and Jogyakarta, the sole wrecks of by-gone native greatness,—manage to get along under Dutch protection. Recently, on a vacancy being created in the throne of one of these States, the paramount power, Holland, settled the succession in a way that ran counter to the views of an influential section of the Javanese notables concerned. Discontent soon found expression in secret meetings to discuss plans for a general rising in different districts. The Java Government, on learning what was brewing, seized several of the prime movers in the sedition. The other conspirators still carried on the agitation with greater caution. Rumour has long indicated Madium as the chief seat of the movement, and reports of spreading disaffection there had often found their way into the newspapers. But the Government took no action, and gave tranquillising assurances until the 12th instant, when the concealed disaffection broke out into open rebellion at Karang Pandan, on the boundary of Madium, necessitating the despatch of troops thither. Events had reached this stage at the time the last mail left Java. Monday's telegrams show that the spirit of rebellion must be fierce indeed to induce eleven ringleaders to die rather than surrender; for in case of capture, no worse fate than banishment would have befallen them. As may be expected, the European population of the disturbed districts have been kept in alarm and uneasiness; but they did the best they could by showing a bold front and keeping their ammunition dry.

THE *Peking Gazette* of October 1st has the following:—The Empress has received an application from Prince Ch'un (the father of the Emperor), begging to be allowed to give up his official duties on the grounds that he still remains in ill-health, that the Admiralty regulations have been drawn up, and that the Emperor will soon assume sole power. Her Majesty remarks on the loyalty and ability with which the Prince has served his country, and the success with which he has organized the navy, labouring unweariedly in spite of ill-health. Her Majesty herself has studied the scheme that he has framed, and has been struck with its clearness and completeness. She feels great compunction in laying upon his shoulders the toils and responsibilities of office, when he has declared that his health is still impaired. But the organization of the navy is a matter of extraordinary importance, and there will be much to be done in putting into practice the rules that have been made; the Prince too, from his nearness to the Throne, cannot but feel a personal interest in the good government of the country; and in the visits which Her Majesty has paid to his sick bed, she has watched his gradual recovery of his strength. Her Majesty, therefore, desires that for the present he will continue as before to take charge of the Admiralty and the Peking Field Force. But he need not add his name to any memorials which shall be presented by his colleagues in the latter office after the Emperor's assumption of sole power; and when he considers that the navy has been completely organized, he may report the fact to Her Majesty, who will then issue fresh instructions. On the one hand the Prince must not decline to undertake the important duties entrusted to him, while on the other he must be careful to nurse himself till he completely recover his strength.

WE note the arrival by the M. M. steamship *Anadyr* of M. M. de Verhaeghe de Mayer, Belgian Minister to China.

WITH reference to the old project of making Paris a sea-port, the following calculation is made by a French paper:—In 1850, according to repeated observations and calculations, Paris was found to be 27 metres above the sea level. To-day the capital does not occupy the same place, because it subsides 16 millimetres every year, and if this descending movement continues, the partisans of "Paris as a sea-port" will only need have a little patience, as without any expensive works, their wish will be realised in—1600 years.

A TRIAL has been made of an electric dog-cart, constructed to the order of the Sultan of Turkey. Beneath the seats are placed the accumulators which supply the electricity to the motor. The accumulators, twenty-four in number, are of special type, and contain a charge sufficient to propel the vehicle for five hours at an average speed of ten miles per hour over an ordinary track. When the vehicle is running at a speed of ten miles per hour the motor makes 1,440 revolutions per minute and develops a 3-horse power. The steering is effected by means of an adaptation in the fore-carriage. The driver possesses perfect control over the direction, and can regulate the speed by means of a foot brake acting on both hind wheels.

OUR Singapore contemporaries, for reasons difficult to understand, make special efforts to show that the unfortunate Landgrave of Hesse did not commit suicide. And they utterly fail in their feeble attempts to disguise the truth. There cannot be the slightest doubt that the unfortunate Prince threw himself overboard and thus lost his life. The facts are exceedingly simple and leave no doubt whatever on the matter. On the voyage from Batavia to Singapore in the Messageries Maritimes steamer *Volga*, the Landgrave, who was in rather indifferent health, was seen in the cabin by his attendant on the morning of the 14th inst., he being then asleep; at 1.30 when the servant went to call his master the berth was empty and the Prince had disappeared as he could not possibly have fallen through the port, the only rational conclusion is that he forced himself through. And, whether prince or peasant, the man who did that committed suicide.

THE case against the two sailors in the Chinese Imperial Customs Service of seizing a junk whilst in British waters, was again before Mr. Pollock at the Magistracy this morning. The evidence of Cheung Shan Lai, the complainant, was by no means satisfactory, being contradictory on many important points. He stated that his junk was anchored off Samshui-po on the date named when five men, including the defendants, came in a European built boat, and said "We are going to take possession of your boat and take anything which has not paid duty." The defendants then boarded the junk, and the others pulled away. There were eight of a crew on the junk. They were ordered to work the boat to Mong Kok, where the revenue cruiser was lying. Witness asked one of the defendants for permission to go and pay his respects to the mandarin, but was refused. Then a man who had lent him some money for building the junk came on board, and after some discussion as to whether the defendants were good or bad men they decided to send for the police, and a European sergeant was brought, who arrested the defendants. They had not told him they were going to use the junk as a cruiser, but they put up a flag and unfurled it. Other witnesses stated that the defendants said on seizing the junk that they would detain her three days or so. They were not sure whether they were in English or Chinese waters. The case was again remanded.

THE Hongkong Choral Society have Gilbert and Sullivan's "Iolanthe" in active rehearsal, and it is intended to produce the opera at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, during the second week of December. We do not consider the selection an altogether judicious one. The music of "Iolanthe" is certainly pretty and attractive, but the opera, which never quite hit the public taste at home, mainly depends for success on its spectacular effects—the lovely young fairies, the march of the Peers, etc. We are fairly yearning to see the youth and beauty of Hongkong, that aggregation of female loveliness which is renowned throughout the Far East, trooping on the stage as the representatives of those sylph-like fairies of whom we all have read about so much, and so rarely seen on this disappointing terrestrial sphere. We are further anxious to see a Hongkong House of Peers dressed in their best clothes. "Iolanthe" has twice previously been performed in this colony—by the Loftus troupe in 1884 and by the Salinger collection of waifs and strays two years ago—and on neither occasion did it take the audience by storm, although the Loftus people gave an exceptionally excellent representation. Of course the Choral Society must be judged from quite a different standpoint, and their performances of the fairy opera-bouffe are certain to be largely patronised, whether they are good, bad, or indifferent. The proposed cast, we hear, is a fairly strong one. Miss Withers, a capital actress and charming vocalist, should be quite at home as *Phyllis*, and both Lieut. Metcalfe as the comic Grenadier guardsman and Mr. C. H. Grace as *Strephon* could scarcely be improved on, albeit the latter accomplished artist has to some extent lost the Romeo-like grace of his juvenile days. Mr. Lightwood is a clever and amusing comedian, but he may find himself a trifle over-weighted as the *Lord High Chancellor*—a character that wants a rare lot of playing to do it anything like justice. A gentleman from Singapore who is said to have a first class tenor voice has been named as the *Earl Tolloller*, and the other male parts will doubtless be efficiently filled. One of the most interesting features of the representation will be the appearance of two popular young *débutantes*, Miss. M. Sangster and Miss Stopani, as *Iolanthe* and the *Queen of the Fairies* respectively. Both these ladies have already distinguished themselves in the concert room, but whether they will be equally successful in important *rôles* in comic opera remains to be seen. We are afraid that the Choral Society, with the limited resources they possess, will find their greatest difficulty in adequately mounting a spectacular piece like "Iolanthe." But the dainty little fairies are bound to "fetch" the rank and fashion of the colony, especially the bald-headed mashers and the 'gilded youth' who are such prominent figures at all our public entertainments.

THE *Breconshire*, which arrived at Singapore from Kuchinotsu on the 17th inst. reported having sighted Pratas at noon on the 10th. She passed close, and saw a wreck on its north-east end. The wreck appeared to be broken-backed, with ends standing high.

MESSRS. Adamson, Bell & Co., agents for the Canadian-Pacific Line, inform us that the steamship *Batavia* arrived in Yokohama to-day from Vancouver, and will leave for this port, *via* Shanghai, to-morrow. The steamship *Duke of Westminster* left Vancouver on the 22nd inst. for Japan and China.

WE are glad to observe that the portion of the dining room of the Hongkong Hotel which fell in a few months ago has been renewed and is now open to the public. The floor and verandahs have been greatly strengthened, and the handsome pillars at the end of the saloon give it quite an imposing appearance. The new wing to the Hotel building is rapidly approaching completion, and within the next few months some great and important changes will be made in this popular place of resort. We hope shortly to be in a position to give an account of what the Hongkong Hotel of the future will provide for the accommodation and comfort of residents and visitors.

THE Governor of Hunan in a report to the Empress mentions the fact that infanticide, which he stigmatizes as a most abominable practice, has long been rife in Hunan, and reports the measures which have been taken in recent years to counteract the habit. Among these the most important is the institution of foundling hospitals, to which the gentry and people have subscribed in a most liberal manner. The latest offering of this kind has been from a literary graduate who, in compliance with the dying request of his parents, made over a farm of land valued at Tls.3,600 for the benefit of the charity. The same officer had previously contributed a still larger sum for the support of orphaned girls among the members of his clan, and as both donations were prompted by his parent's advice, he has received permission to erect a monumental arch to their memory.

A CORRESPONDENT of the *République Française*, writing from Tientsin, mentions that Sir Robert Hart had procured a band for the Europeans living in the Chinese capital. He proceeds:—How can one speak of Sir Robert without recurring to the question of his successor, always open and never closed? His departure is announced for certain for this year; but the reasons which prevented his accepting the honour of British Minister at Peking remain the same, and his resignation does not appear as imminent as some pretend. He desires to be succeeded by his brother; but the Chinese turn a deaf ear, and refuse it. The policy of China is to eliminate little by little, from the Customs service, the foreign element. The Marquis Tsêng has likewise been mentioned as the successor of Sir Robert, but it is right to say that those who mention this are the friends of the Marquis, whose star has paled before his powerful rival, Li Hung-chang. The best-informed persons think that Sir Robert will take a holiday this year in Europe, and will be, for the moment, replaced by his brother. Whether this will be events only can show.

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before the Hon. J. Russell, Acting Chief Justice.)

The adjourned Sessions reopened this afternoon. The following were the jurors:—Messrs. E. C. Barradas, J. W. Croker, J. D Lagan, J. M. Forbes, J. Leaburg, F. A. R. Aviese, and A. M. Baptista.

THE THEFT FROM THE "HAITAN."

The long postponed charge of stealing a gold watch, the property of Mr. Bathurst, chief officer of the s.s. *Haitan*, was preferred against a coolie and an old woman. The Attorney-General prosecuted. The prisoners were found dealing with the articles and with a quantity of electro-plated ware afterwards found to have been stolen from Lane, Crawford's shop. Mr. Sercombe-Smith considered them guilty two months ago, and sentenced them to six and three months' imprisonment respectively, but they preferred taking their chance with a jury. The male prisoner was cross-examined with considerable ingenuity through the Malay interpreter.

The jury found them guilty, and the coolie was sentenced to three years' imprisonment, and the widow to one year.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. A. J. Leach.)

A QUEER CASE.

The Court was occupied all morning in hearing a case arising out of a loan transaction. Mr. Wilson represented the plaintiff, Joaquim Gomês, who described himself as a merchant, and Mr. Dennys appeared for the defendant, H. J. Rodriguez, clerk and usher of the Court. The claim was for $182.25, due on a promissory note. The defendant apparently owed $106.25 to the plaintiff and $76 to his son. He signed a promissory note,—as the plaintiff alleged, for the two amounts, and, as he asserted, for the first mentioned sum, his explanation of the figures on the note being that he had not his spectacles with him at the time and thought he was signing for $100.25. After hearing some very hard swearing his Lordship conferred with the legal representatives of the parties in chambers and deferred giving his decision.

THE ESTIMATES.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Yesterday afternoon a meeting of the Finance Committee was held for the purpose of considering the Supplementary Estimates for 1887 and the Estimates for 1889. The Colonial Secretary (Hon. F. Stewart) presided, and there were also present the Acting Colonial Treasurer (Hon. H. E. Wodehouse), The Attorney General (Hon. E. L. O'Malley), Hon. P. Ryrie, Hon. J. Bell-Irving, The Captain Superintendent of Police (Hon. W. M. Deane) and Hon. B. Layton.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

The Colonial Secretary said he supposed they would take the Supplementary estimates for 1887 first. The sums expended during 1887 were $[illegible]. The sums provided amounted to $2 005,030. This only showed a deficiency of $17 568 06. The amount to be voted however was $194,468. The reason of the difference was that they could not make use of any of the balances that had accrued to the Treasury from certain specific works. Turning to the establishments there was an increase of $2,495 for the Governor, due to the difference in exchange in salaries drawn in England at 4/2. The amounts for the Treasurer come to $1,096.54, of which all the items except the last two, drawing instruments and contingencies, which could not be foreseen, had already been voted by the Legislative Council. In the Surveyor General's Department there is an increase of $2,059 85. All the items were approved by the Finance Committee. In the Postmaster General's Department the first item was provided for by the Finance Committee. The item of $300 for arrears of salary of Post Office Agent at Hankow was due to some difficulty about the office. The Postmaster did not seem to be doing his work to the satisfaction of the Postmaster General, and the result was that the salary was not paid until the Postmaster General saw the thing right. There is $629 for contingencies for new postage stamps &c., which could not be foreseen. In the Harbour Department, the excess was $2,408 84, which was due, to the establishment of the Superintendency of Import and Exports in connection with the registration of opium. For the Observatory the excess was $702, for instruments, books, &c., which could not be foreseen. The excess in the Judicial was due to the salary of the Chief and the Attorney General being paid in England. So it was with the Ecclesiastical and with the Gaol. For the Civil Hospital there was an increase of $2,906.75 for provisions, medicine, &c., which could not be ascertained until the end of the year. The increase was due mainly to the increase of the patients. The increase of $165, for post mortem examinations was on account of the increase in the number of cases. Under the Police department there was a sum of $10,810.27 arrears for passage, arms, expenses for new recruits, &c. The items under 'Works and Buildings' had all been approved of by the Council. Under Miscellaneous Services there was a sum of $23,544. The first four items of this had been approved by the Council. The others could not be foreseen.

In answer to Mr. Layton the Colonial Secretary said that the law Revision Committee was still sitting, and that the Attorney General had a good many Bills to bring in.

Mr. J. Bell-Irving—What is this item—Reporting on proposed steam tramway, $497?

The Colonial Secretary—It was obtained when the question of ventilation was being considered and especially in connection with Causeway Bay. The question arose as how best to join the two portions of the town, and a report was asked by some person at home as to how steam tramways would secure intercommunication between parts of the town. It is well to have information on the subject.

With regard to Victoria College, estimated sum for which had been increased from $50,000 to $51,216. the $50,000 was only a vote of account, and the $51,216 represented the amount expended. He hoped that the distribution of prizes before the next Chinese New Year would be held in the new school. The work was delayed by the sinking of the *Ulysses* in the Red Sea, and then came a letter from the Crown Agents that some of the iron work had been condemned by the examiner. With regard to Military Defence Works, for which the sum voted was $2 0,000 and the sum expended $258,000, he explained that the excess simply meant that the work had been pushed on. The sum agreed to be paid was £116,000, and they were carefully keeping count and would see that this sum was not exceeded. The works were about finished and our contribution almost completed.

Mr. Bell Irving—I suppose they will begin to send the guns when all is done.

With regard to the Tytam Works, for which the sum voted was $150,000 and the expenditure $210,811,

Mr. Layton asked if any account would be given of this expenditure.

The Colonial Secretary—I do not know where Mr. Price is. I expected him to be present.

Mr. Seth—I understand he has gone to Stanley.

Mr. Layton—It seems to me we ought to have some papers on the table giving particulars of this big expenditure.

Mr. Bell Irving—I suppose the additional expense means that they have been going on faster with the work.

The Colonial Secretary—That is so.

Mr. Layton—It does not appear in the 1889 estimates that we shall have less to pay. I think we ought to get a statement of what has actually been spent up to date.

The Colonial Secretary—If you wish it, it will be done—a report on the expenditure of the Tytam water works from the commencement up to date.

Mr. Layton I think we ought to have it. I know the amount expended is over what was estimated.

The Colonial Secretary—It was first estimated at so much and then it was found necessary to increase the estimate. Then it was resolved to heighten the dam, and that entailed further expense.

Mr. Layton—It is a big work, and we ought to have some idea of what it cost.

The Colonial Secretary—I have no doubt that from various reports of the Surveyor General that the details could be obtained, but you want a report showing the outlay in a succinct form, and I shall see that it is placed on the table.

THE 1889 ESTIMATES.

The Committee then proceeded to consider the memorandum explaining alterations of estimates of revenue for 1889.

The Colonial Secretary pointed out that there was a considerable increase in the estimated revenue under the heading of Leased Lands, which was based on the largely increased number of land sales. There was also an expected increase in the matter of revenue from land not leased, from a better system of collecting rents from squatters. The estimated revenue from rents exclusive of lands show a decrease owing to lower rents during the construction of the new Central Market. Under licences, as would be seen, there was a large increase in the estimated revenue from the opium monopoly, which had been sold for $477,600 per annum for three years from 1st March 1889. From the registration of carriages it would be observed that there was a large increase estimated. This was expected by the Captain Superintendent of Police from the increase in the fees for rickshas. During the first half of this year $9,972.90 were collected from this source.

The Acting Colonial Treasurer called attention to the estimated profit on subsidiary coins. He thought after sending in the estimate that it was rather overrated in consequence of the fact that the silver had to be purchased before it was coined, and also that on receiving the coins they lay in the bank without interest until they were disposed of. The increase expected was of course due to the fact that a greater quantity of subsidiary coins were received now than formerly. He thought the previous calculation was not quite right. $250,000 worth of subsidiary coins were got in January last, and that money was paid in October four months previously, and when they got the coins they were put into the bank where they did not draw interest. There would be a profit, but he thought it was [illegible] overestimated.

The Colonial Secretary thought better to allow the item to stand as it was this year, and let the matter be looked into by the Treasurer next year.

Mr. Ryrie remarked that there was a very large increase in the estimated revenue from office fees.

The Colonial Secretary replied that a large number of items were included under that heading, and it was only natural that, as the colony was increasing there should be a considerable increase in these items taken together.

The Acting Colonial Treasurer pointed out that the item of $45,000 in respect of the Gap Rock Lighthouse was a new item.

The Committee then passed to the consideration of the expenditure.

The Colonial Secretary saw they would observe that in the matter of pension, there was an increase of $3,000 estimated under this head, besides an addition of $1,000 in Police pensions.

Mr. Layton desired to know on what number of years' service Captain Thomsett, the Harbour Master's, pension was based.

The Colonial Secretary replied that Captain Thomsett took office somewhere in the spring, and the Secretary of State was of opinion that his period of service must date from the following November, the reason being that Captain Thomsett's predecessor was drawing pension during the few months between the time of Captain Thomsett's taking office and the following November.

Captain Deane said he could hardly understand how one man's having a pension could affect the salary of his successor.

The Colonial Secretary said Captain Thomsett was in the position of Acting Harbour Master during the few months in question, after which his appointment was confirmed. There seemed to be some misapprehension, but he had no doubt that the calculation made here was correct, and he believed Captain Thomsett would be paid according to that calculation for the period of his service with the exception of those six months, which he was afraid he must lose. The reason why the Colonial Office were raising this question as to half-pay leave at the present moment was, he believed, because they wanted to secure a uniformity in the matter which did not exist at present and which they were doing their utmost to obtain. He believed there were a number of other cases of a similar nature under consideration.

The Attorney General remarked that pensions had been abolished in several Colonies.

The Colonial Secretary said it was coming to that.

The Committee then went on to consider the estimates of expenditure for 1889.

In the Colonial Secretary's Department there was an increase of $1740 for salary and quarters to the new cadet. In the Audit Office there was an increase of $240 for personal allowance to the First Clerk. In the Treasurer's Office the chief increase was $48 to the salary of the Assessor. The Colonial Secretary explained that Mr. Lister had made a strong recommendation in favour of Mr. Hooper, showing that owing to the thorough way he did his work the revenue of the Colony had been largely increased. The Governor had therefore resolved to give the addition at the end of Mr. Hooper's agreement.

All these votes were agreed to.

Coming to the Surveyor General's Department, the Colonial Secretary suggested that consideration of it should be left over. There was a very large increase, for which Mr. Price was not wholly responsible, as a great deal of it was transferred from another department.

The section was accordingly left over.

In the Postmaster General's Department the chief increase was for a steam launch.

The Colonial Secretary explained that Mr. Travers considered it absolutely necessary to have a steam launch for the department. They had only a ricketty old boat which certainly was not sufficient. He explained that when the French mail came in the Post Office was dependent on the launch of M. Champeaux, who was always kind enough to help the department. It might, however, happen that Mr. Champeaux was detained on board with the Captain, and then the launch had to wait for him and thus a delay was caused.

Mr. Layton said the despatch of mails ought to be facilitated as much as possible. The vote was agreed to.

In the Registrar General's Department some explanation was given of the vote of $120 for a mandarin teacher for passed cadets. The Colonial Secretary said it was absolutely necessary to employ the teacher. Two cadets were sent to Peking to study, and they had no opportunity of speaking the language, and unless they got assistance they would soon forget what they learned. He did not think any more would be sent to Peking.

Mr. Layton asked if the cadets studied Cantonese.

The Colonial Secretary said that both Mr. May and Mr. Smith studied Cantonese. With regard to Mr. May he said, in answer to a question, that he had not quite recovered, but that it was expected he would return. He had applied for two additional months' leave.

With regard to the Harbour Master's Department a discussion arose about the emigration office.

The Colonial Secretary said that the Governor was looking into the subject, and there would be legislation on it very soon.

Mr. Bell-Irving—Send the new Cadet down.

The Colonial Secretary—That is a good idea, and it would be a good training for him.

Mr. Layton said they must have some one there who understood Cantonese.

The Colonial Secretary—The emigration laws will have to be revised, and it has not yet been decided what share the Registrar General and the Harbour Office will take in the matter. If the work was all done in the Harbour Office it would be a good place for the Cadet. Greater care will have to be taken in the passing of the emigrants. Not a steamer scarcely leaves from which three or four do not jump overboard. Complaints are coming from all quarters. These emigration houses will have to be strictly controlled. There was reason to suspect many were decoyed away on false pretences and did not know where they were going until the steamer left.

The Attorney General said a number of the cases of alleged kidnapping were doubtful. Men were paid advances and were known to jump overboard although they knew well where they were going.

The Colonial Secretary referred to a case that was heard the other day, which showed that pigs could not have been treated worse than these so-called emigrants.

The Attorney General said there was a good deal of that, but his experience showed it was nothing like what it was represented.

The Colonial Secretary alluded to the practice of procuresses engaging first-class cabins and taking the girls as servants, thus avoiding the emigration law, and said this had so much become the practice that it had become necessary that no Chinese woman should leave the Colony without consent.

Some discussion arose on the vote for the Observatory as to Dr. Doberck having a wire to himself direct with the telegraph office.

The Colonial Secretary said a new cable had been laid for him and the police jointly, which ought to meet his ends, and he did not see that a separate line was altogether required.

With regard to the Educational vote he [illegible] under the Central School heading [illegible] and not [illegible]

Head Master, $720. The Governor was determined to amalgamate rent and salary as fast as possible, as was done here, and in course of time all allowances for rent would disappear.

Hon. W. M. Deane asked if there would be residence for the masters at the new Central School.

The Chairman replied in the negative.

Hon. W. M. Deane—A large building like that ought not to be left without some one in charge.

Hon. P. Ryrie—Was it not the idea they should have a boarding College?

The Chairman—That has been given up, I think. There will, of course, be a care-taker.

Hon. J. Bell-Irving—Will the present Central School be sold?

The Chairman—Yes, and it is hoped the sum obtained for it will go far towards paying the expense of the new building.

The Chairman went on to explain that the addition of $1,000 under the heading of grants-in-aid was caused by the present vote being insufficient. The Inspector of Schools had represented that the number of schools was increasing so rapidly and education increasing so much that the present vote of $17,000 was inadequate. The Secretary of State had given it as his opinion that the sum voted for education should be decided by the Council with regard to the finances of the Colony, and whatever sum the Council put on the Estimates must be adhered to. The result had been that on one or two occasions the Inspector had had to give less to teachers than they would otherwise have received under the grant-in-aid scheme. It was to prevent the necessity of making any reduction of that kind that the Inspector had recommended this increase. The reduction of $2,400 appearing under the heading of "Quarters for Masters at Central School" was only apparent and not real, the amount having been added to the salaries.

The vote was approved.

The Chairman said that under the heading of Medical there was a considerable increase. In the first place, there was the salary of an Assistant Superintendent, $1,440. The Sanitary Board had recommended that an epidemic hospital should be erected, and that necessitated provision being made for some one to take charge. Ordinarily the Assistant Superintendent would give his services at the Civil Hospital, but if an epidemic broke out he would be transferred to the epidemic hospital. There was also an addition for what had been talked about for a long time, European female nurses. He thought it probable that within two months these nurses would be here; they were Sisters of Charity from Saigon, but the Lady Superioress must get nurses from France to take their places at Saigon before she could transfer them.

Hon J. Bell-Irving—Then it is the same as at Shanghai.

The Chairman—Yes, the sisters are coming from the same institution, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Hon. B. Layton—It will be a great blessing to the patients.

Hon. J. Bell-Irving—I suppose there is no objection on the score of religion.

The Chairman—No, I think that has quite disappeared now, and I think it was a very silly one.

Hon. B. Layton—There has been no objection at Shanghai.

Hon. J. Bell-Irving—There was at one time.

The Chairman—Some difficulty was caused by Dr. Atkinson saying they should be able to speak English, but the Secretary of State referred us to Singapore and Penang, where they have worked so well. They speak English sufficiently for the requirements, and they have the advantage of being able to communicate with foreign patients. The vote for the Lock Hospital used to be provided for under miscellaneous services and kept as a special item, but the Secretary of State has given orders that it is to be part and parcel of the Medical Department. The colony will have to pay the whole of the expenses, all fees under the Ordinance having been annulled.

The vote was approved.

The increases under the heading of police included eight additional European constables, ten Indian, and eight Chinese. Eight of the men were employed by the Registrar-General, but had now been transferred to the police.

Hon. P. Ryrie—Certainly the police want a much larger addition than that.

Capt. Deane—We have no room to put them at present.

The Chairman said there was an item under the head of police which was another result of the Interpretation Committee's recommendations. $1,000 additional was put down for special knowledge of Chinese to give greater encouragement to the men to learn the language, and there was a similar sum set down in connection with the gaol.

The vote was approved.

With regard to the gaol. The Chairman said there was an increase of $720 in the salary of the Superintendent. The reason given by the Superintendent was that when he came out here he was informed he would have a house. He had not a house of the size he expected, and he cannot keep his family here. The result is that he was to keep up two houses. The other increases had been seriously called for for a long time.

Hon. J. Bell-Irving—Yes, I think the men were underpaid.

The Chairman—There is no doubt that now we shall be able to get better men. Sometimes now we get very good men.

Hon. J. Bell-Irving—Do you get them here?

The Chairman—Yes.

Hon. J. Bell-Irving—Discharged sailors?

The Chairman—Yes, and sometimes they are very good men, but with the improved salaries we shall be able to get better men all round.

Hon. P. Ryrie asked if the inquiry about the late attempted escape of convicts was satisfactory.

Capt. Deane said the matter was not finished yet. It would come before the Supreme Court, but some of the men were still too ill to allow of the case being gone on with as yet.

The Attorney-General remarked that the proceedings in the Supreme Court would be with reference to the conduct of the accused, not that of the accusers.

The Chairman said the inquiry seemed to have been about the ammunition. As far as everything else was concerned everyone seemed to have done his duty.

The vote was approved.

THE FIRE BRIGADE.

The Chairman—The next is the vote for the Fire Brigade.

Hon. P. Ryrie—Now we are coming to the important part. A good deal has been done in raising the pay of the men, but you also want more more men. I don't know what Mr. Bell-Irving may say about it, but there has been some talk about the private brigade being abandoned.

The Chairman—The Government would be only too glad to hear any suggestion.

Hon. P. Ryrie—Up to the other day the brigade was not up to what it ought to have been for want of men.

Hon. J. Bell-Irving—It depends a good deal on when the new water supply comes, so that you will be able to fix the hose on the plugs. When will that be ready?

Chairman—In November.

The Colonial Treasurer—It will make no difference to the Fire Brigade, because of the present distribution. Until we have a distribution in view of Fire Brigade purposes it will make no difference. I understand there is to be no new distribution, but that the Tytam supply is to be added on to the Pokfolum distribution.

The Chairman—But that distribution will be supplemented.

The Colonial Treasurer—How much?

The Chairman—If Mr. Price had been here he could have explained it.

The Colonial Treasurer—With the present distribution you cannot make arrangements counting on fresh water, because there are many houses out of reach of the present distribution. Therefore all our arrangements are based on sea water; if there is fresh water too, so much the better, but we cannot count on it.

In the absence of Mr. Price the matter was postponed.

The Committee adjourned till Saturday, the 27th inst., at 3 p.m.

BY THE WAY.

It may be interesting to note that Prince William of Hesse-Cassel whose death under melancholy circumstances was reported in the Singapore papers, was, according to London Society periodicals thought to be an eligible "parti" for the Princess Louise of Wales, being one of the very richest of Continental Princes He was closely connected to the Queen of Denmark and the venerable Duchess of Cambridge, who are both princesses of Hesse-Cassel. Prince William passed through Hongkong some short time ago coming from Japan and Shanghai.

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We are glad to note that the cool weather has brought to the fore an old friend, the King of Siam. Some kind European friend has invested him with an old P. & O. or M. M. Time Table, on which is written in bold letters "I am, the King of Siam," evidently that there should be no mistake as to the identity of his majesty, whose solitary blinker is as bright as ever, and who is keenly alive to any tribute of monetary value that may be bestowed upon him.

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It is passing strange that when the Wyndham Street papers get out of their depth how hopelessly they stick in the mire. We refer to their dealing with subjects of which they know nothing. "Shoemaker, stick to your last" should be an appropriate motto for both these papers, and above all, let them leave sporting matters alone unless indeed it be to copy from some other publication that can deal with such matters. This advice is given in all sincerity.

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There is at present so much controversy going on in the Colony as to the Count and Countess de Bardi that I give you a full pedigree of these distinguished personages; *not taken from "Men of the Times."* H.R.H. Prince Henri-Charles Louis-George-Abraham-Paul-Marie de Bourbon, Infant of Spain, Prince of Parma, Plaisance and Guastalla, was born the 12th February 1851, and maried, *first*, on the 25th November 1873 the Princess Marie-Immaculée- Louise de Bourbon, daughter of the late Ferdinand, King of the two Sicilies, who died on the 23rd August, 1874, and *secondly*, H.R.H. Princess Aldegonde de Jesus-Marie de Bragança, Infanta of Portugal, daughter of the late Don Miguel, Infant of Portugal and of the Princess Adelaide de Löwenstein-Werthein-Rosenberg.

CHINA'S NEW BIRTH.

The Tientsin-Kaiping railway which was so auspiciously inaugurated the other day in the Northern province may be considered to be the first self-taught lesson on the progress of industry and civilisation which China has thought fit to take after centuries of inaction and suspense. Our Tientsin contemporary, in reviewing the development of trade, industry and traffic brought about by the running of the first iron horse in that part of the Empire, is unsparing in its praises of the new departure, and expresses a hope that the era of railways, of rapid inland intercommunication and extensive mining has fairly dawned over vast Cathay. We fully share this hope, as we feel sure it will find a responsive echo in the immensity of China's bosom. A country that has lain dormant for centuries past, has now fairly awakened at the shrill blast of the locomotive and the steam engine; what puissant vitality it may eventually develop in the course of time, it will rest with the coming generations to see and admire. For ourselves, we find in the movement already created by the Tientsin-Kaiping railway a sure pledge of mighty changes in the near future of the land of the Hans, and we cordially congratulate the energetic promoter of the concern, Mr. Tong King Sing, and his associates, upon their untiring perseverance and final success.

A cursory perusal of the effects alluded to by the *Chinese Times* as directly produced by the first railway in China will convince anybody that one of China's sorrows—emigration—will sooner or later, but will, certainly, be assuaged by the introduction of railways, steam navigation, mining and other industries into the vast Empire. The myriads of Chinese who yearly leave their native country in order to sell their labour to foreign capital in foreign lands represent so many economic losses of no mean magnitude to their country. While the merchants of Peru, Cuba, and subsequently of North America, Australia and the Straits Settlements have enriched themselves by utilising Chinese labour, China has been constantly drained of one of the most valuable resources of a nation,—its native working men. The causes of this disgraceful system of self-depletion are to be found in China's deep-rooted policy of inactivity. Its statesmen and leaders of men have for ages allowed the country to throw away its labourers; industries that create labour have never been allowed to take firm root in the land, and the result has been a wholesale emigration—that drawing of a nation's life-blood which is sure to bring death and ultimate decay in its train. It has been said that emigration necessarily follows a superabundance of population, and that like a safety-valve, it rids the nation of its redundant vitality for the benefit of both the disintegrated portion and of the parent stock. We think this is mere theory and that if applied to China, it cannot stand the practical test of proof. Considering the vast extent of its territory and its multiplex resources for food and subsistence, China is by no means an over-populated country. What China chiefly lacks is labour, or rather, the employment and right application of labour. Once a network of railways is established over this immense country, once its inland rivers are opened to steam navigation, and its mines are scientifically explored, and the whole country, hitherto most irrationally sealed to foreign enterprise, is opened to free trade and industry, and China's labouring millions shall cease to look up to foreign countries for employment and to foreign capital for remuneration and the means of livelihood. Of course, the *sine qua non* for the realisation of all these improvements and changes is the introduction, protection and affiliation of European industry and enterprise; this is indispensably necessary for China's welfare. Under whatever light this admission of foreign elements may be viewed, it is certainly the only means of China's economic redemption as a vast producing country; and if is, moreover, the only solution of the emigration problem, and of all and any other problems resulting from it. Would not, for instance, the present international troubles in which China is involved with Australia, and North America,—troubles directly produced by the emigration nuisance,—be brought to an end if China restricted or prohibited all outflux of its labouring classes, and had them employed on their native soil, in the construction of railways, in the exploration of mines, and in the thousand-and-one other mechanical and industrial occupations?

The only thing needful that such a happy consummation should take effect is the opening of China to foreign enterprise and skilled labour. This is the much desired means; China's economic regeneration and new birth is the infallible end. The main objection entertained by Chinese statesmen of the old school is that although the free admission of European enterprise and skilled labour into China would tend to regenerate the country economically, it will probably endanger its political status. In other words, China entertains fears of being actually dispossessed of its political and national birth-right by the intruding Western. But it does not require much discrimination to see the folly of such theories. Between conservatism and exclusivism a broad line of distinction must be drawn. The integrity of the Chinese Empire is not even remotely threatened by the introduction of Western industry and labour. The Europe of to-day is not anything like the Europe of the middle ages; it is, in fact, an exact counterpart of and contrast to the adventurous, the conquering, and oftentimes, the marauding powers which ruled the West in those dark ages. Treaties and international compacts now rule the day, and the spirit of public and political morality has so much improved, after time's prolonged travail, that the rule of iron which was once Europe's system of Government has now been substituted by the rule of intellect and of humanity. As China has everything to gain, and nothing to lose by the introduction of European industry and skilled labour it is fully to be hoped that it will try the experiment to its fullest extent, and that, by following the wise policy manifested in the opening of its first railway, it will reap the full benefits of advancing civilisation and progress.

DROUGHT IN KIANGSU.

A Correspondent in Chinkiang sends us the following account of the state of the country to the south of that port and says it is becoming a very serious matter for the peasantry in the interior far from the Yangtze, and any engineering firm might have an opportunity for introducing artesian well appliances:—Whilst Manchuria, and Kiangpei are suffering from too much water, the country about here extending to S., S.E. and S.W. for 80 miles is troubled with drought, and burnt up for lack of rain. No rain to speak of has fallen since the wheat harvest was garnered in, *i.e.* since end of May. Occasionally clouds accumulate and rain descends for 2 or 3 hours, but the clouds invariably dissipate and disperse, as if the dryness of our atmosphere absorbed the vapour in the air. Rain has often been known to have fallen at Shanghai, Nanking, and Wuhu, whilst here only the advance guard of the cloud battalions has darkened our sky. As a consequence, the rice and other crops to the south have been lost, whilst the lack of water has driven the peasantry to tainted sources of water supply, with the usual result of choleraic and similar diseases It is necessary now in many places to dig down 200 feet before water can be obtained and there is now an excellent opportunity for introducing artesian wells. The people are clamouring for food. Their stores are becoming exhausted, and local subscriptions are being raised among the Chinese for the purpose of charitable distribution. It is proposed by Chinese to allow a month's house rent to be applied to the above purpose, and a large sum could be collected in this manner. If foreign landlords would join in this proposition, it would be beneficial to our good name, and would induce a more general acquiescence in the proposal. Unless relief is given, there cannot fail to be much misery and distress during the winter. Refugees, now so numerous, from the North, cross the river every winter and go South to obtain work. The drought and total failure of crops will leave those who arrive destitute, and in the hands of destitute men. There cannot fail to be trouble if measures of relief, chiefly in the shape of money, are not inaugurated. It is probable relief will be required till the month of April next.

Chinkiang, 16th Oct.

The same correspondent writes of the state of matters in Honan:—

I hear the Yellow River is declining in volume and that the water in the flooded districts is at a standstill, but it is now two feet above last year's level.

As to your query about places for the distribution of money I find the prefecture of Ying-chow-fu and Po-chow in N. An-hui are suffering most from the late freshets. In Ho-nan at Chung-mow, at Wei-shih, and at Chow-chia-kow there is also severe distress and much water. There is a "wei" at Chow-chia-kow where official relief is given, but the proper and only effectual way for foreigners to give relief is to go from village to village, which are perched on islands of high ground in the midst of the waters, and there to distribute rice; the suffering is very great in these isolated spots, for official relief does not reach them, and they are left chiefly to private charity.

Mr. Yen You-chih a scholar with a Ling-sheng B.A. degree, is now occupied in relieving distress in Po-chow and in Ying-chow. He devotes his life to this kind of work and is entirely trusted by the people. For ten years he has been at work distributing charity in Chihli, Shantung, Honan, Shansi, and Kuangtung; and his services are eagerly sought for by charitable people desirous of distributing money.—*N. C. Daily News.*

To-day's Advertisements.

CATHAY CHAPTER,
No. 1165.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the above Chapter will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 25th inst., at 8.30 for 9 O'CLOCK precisely.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1063

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H.M. Naval Store-keeper to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,
the 31st October, 1888, at NOON, at
H.M. Naval Yard,
SUNDRY NAVAL AND VICTUALLING
CONDEMNED STORES,
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OLD IRON, PAPER STAFF, HOSES, CLOCKS, LAMPS, PROVISIONS, CLOTHING, EMPTY PACKING CASES, and IMPLEMENTS.
&c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Govt. Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1080

To-day's Advertisements.

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A SMALL WATCH, CHAIN, and MEDALLIONS.

Apply to the
CENTRAL POLICE STATION.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1079

FOR NINGPO AND SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship
"YANGTSZE,"
Captain C. Tönningsen, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 26th inst., at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1071

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

THE Steamship
"SEPTIMA,"
Captain Hansen, will be despatched for the above Port, on MONDAY, the 29th instant, at 5 P.M.

For Freight, apply to
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1074

UNION LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship
"SPINDRIFT,"
Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Port, on TUESDAY, the 30th instant, at NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1078

FOR NEW YORK.

THE British Bark
"CARRIER DOVE,"
Durkee, Master, having only a limited space left, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents for Charterers.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1072

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, CANADA, THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,
VIA
THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY
AND OTHER CONNECTING
RAILWAY LINES & STEAMERS.

THE British Steamship
"BATAVIA,"
2,553 Tons Register, Auld, Commander, will be despatched for VANCOUVER, B.C., *via* KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 15th November, at THREE P.M.

To be followed by the S.S. "PARTHIA," on 13th December, and S.S. "ABYSSINIA" on 10th January.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports, and at Vancouver with San Francisco by the regular Steamers of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company and other Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—

To Vancouver and Victoria...(Mex.)	$160.00
To San Francisco	175.00
To all Common Points in Canada and the United States	230.00
To Liverpool	300.00
To London	305.00

To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese and Japanese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to Mr. D. E. BROWN, District Freight Agent, Vancouver, B.C.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the 14th November.

All Parcels must be sent to our Office and should be marked to address in full; and the same will be received by us until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing.

For information as to Passage or Freight, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [36

APOLLINARIS WATER.

THE undersigned have been appointed by the APOLLINARIS COMPANY, LIMITED, Sole Agents for
APOLLINARIS WATER.
IN CHINA AND HONGKONG.

Price, per Case of 48 Quarts	$8.00
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N.B.—An allowance is made of $2.66 per 100 Quarts, and $1.33 per 100 Pints, for Empty bottles when returned to our Godowns.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.
2, Pedder Street,
Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1073

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OF
DISCARDED GOODS
FROM
ROSE & Co.'s STOCK.

THE HALL & HOLTZ C. Co., LIMITED,
WILL SELL BY
PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON
MONDAY NEXT,
October 29th, 1888, at 2 P.M., at their Auction Rooms, Queen's Road,
DISCARDED GOODS
AND
SUNDRIES.

On view, morning of Sale.

TERMS AS USUAL.—Cash on delivery.

THE HALL & HOLTZ C. Co., LD.,
Auctioneers, &c.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1888. [1076

Amusements.

VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT.

SENOR VALENTIN FERNANDEZ
has the honour to announce that he will give
A CONCERT,
ON
SATURDAY,
the 27th October, 1888,
AT
THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

Programme will be published in a future issue.

Plan of the Theatre can be seen and Tickets had at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:—

Dress Circle and Stalls	$2.00
Pit	1.00
Back Seats	0.50

Doors open at 8.30, to commence at 9 P.M precisely.

Hongkong, 24th October, 1888. [1069

Intimations.

"WITH PROFITS" POLICIES
IN THE
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE
TAKEN OUT BEFORE 15TH NOVEMBER NEXT,
will rank for two years Bonus at the next
DIVISION OF PROFITS.

Proposal Forms and Tables of Rates on application.

THE BORNEO Co., Ld.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1888. [659

THE
LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION,
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER,
A.D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the MARINE DEPARTMENT, are prepared to issue POLICIES OF INSURANCE at CURRENT RATES, payable either here or in London, and/or the principal Eastern and Australian Ports.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents,
For the London Assurance Corporation,
Marine Branch.

Hongkong, 20th October, 1888. [1061

THE HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

The CARS RUN as follows between ST. JOHN'S PLACE and VICTORIA GAP:—

8 to 10 A.M. every quarter of an hour.
12 to 2 P.M. " half hour.
4 to 8 " " quarter of an hour.

SUNDAYS,
CHURCH TRAM at 10.40 A.M.

½ past 12 to ½ past one every quarter of an hour, and from 4 to 8 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

Single Tickets are sold in the Cars: Five-Cent Coupons and Reduced Tickets at the Office of
MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
General Managers.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
50 & 52, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1888. [539

NOTICE.

THE "PEIHO TUG AND LIGHTER COMPANY"

ARE still prepared to Lighter Ships or Steamers at the TAKU BAR, for Three Dollar Cents (3c.) per picul.

Owners or Agents of Steamers or Vessels are requested to notify the Undersigned by telegram or otherwise, the date of departure of their vessels, so as to enable him to do the work quickly.

Unnotified work at the Bar will be done at the current rates of Five Cents per Picul (5c.).

JAMES WATTS,
Manager.

Messrs. WILSON & Co.,
Agents, Tientsin.

Taku, 13th October, 1888. [1066

A. G. GORDON & CO.

ENGINEERS, LAUNCH BUILDERS, GENERAL and GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS, IRONMONGERS, COMMISSION AGENTS, VALUATORS, IRON and TIMBER MERCHANTS.

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BOWRINGTON, EAST POINT.

OFFICE:
CORNER OF PEDDER STREET AND PRAYA.

STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 3rd September, 1888. [41

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this HARBOUR none of the COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th August, 188[illegible]. [[illegible]

Intimations.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above CLUB, will be held in the GYMNASIUM of the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB, TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 6 P.M. Gentlemen who take an interest in FOOTBALL or who wish to become Members of the Club are invited to attend.

W. H. WALLACE,
Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, 20th October, 1888. [1062

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on THURSDAY, the 1st November next, at 4 P.M.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1888. [1052

NOTICE.

THE MASONIC CLUB, LIMITED.

THE CERTIFICATE dated 9th August, 1886, of the Shares Nos. 221/270 in this Club, standing in the name of Mr. J. S. WYLLIE has been LOST, and if at the expiration of One Week from the date hereof the above document be not forthcoming another Certificate will be issued by the Club and thereafter no other will be acknowledged.

W. F. HATHERLY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1888. [1065

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

PROGRAMME OF THE SIXTH
RIFLE MEETING,
TO BE HELD AT
KOWLOON,
ON
FRIDAY, the 9th November,
and
SATURDAY, the 10th November, 1888.

AGGREGATE VALUE OF PRIZES.

Competitions open to All-comers.

1. ALL-COMERS.—1st Stage, distance 200 yards. 2nd Stage, distance 300 yards. No. o shots, seven at each. Entrance fee, 30 cents at each. Unlimited entries, but competitors not allowed to take more than one prize at each distance. 20 prizes, presented by the Association; aggregate value, $122.00.

2. ANY RIFLE.—Distance, 800 yards. No. of shots, ten. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

3. ASSOCIATION.—FOR ANY RIFLE.—Distance, 900 yards. No. of shots, ten. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

4. CADET'S PRIZE.—Presented.—Open to pupils of Hongkong Public schools under 16 years of age. Rifle, Rook Rifle under 40 Cal. Distance, about 150 yards. No. of Rounds, 7 and one sighting shoot. Four prizes.

Competitions open to Members.

5. PRESIDENT'S.—Distance, 300 yards. No. of shots, seven. Entrance fee, $1.00. Three prizes.

6. QUEEN'S 1ST STAGE.—Distance, 200, 500 and 600 yards. No. of shots, seven at each. Entrance fee, $1.00. Three prizes.

7. QUEEN'S 2ND STAGE.—Distance, 500 and 600 yards. No. of shots, ten at 500 yards, fifteen at 600 yards. Two prizes.

8. QUEEN'S 3RD STAGE.—Distance, 800 and 900 yards. No. of shots, ten at each. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

9. LADIES.'—Open to Lady Members or their nominees. Distance, 300 yards. No. of shots, seven. Entrance fee, none. Five prizes.

Aggregates open to All-comers.

10. VOLUNTEER AGGREGATE.—Restricted to efficient Volunteers whose respective scores in the 'All-comers' make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Three prizes.

11. CIVIL SERVICE AGGREGATE.—Restricted to members of the Civil Service whose respective scores in the 'All-comers' make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Three prizes.

2. POLICE AGGREGATE.—Restricted to the members of the Police Force whose respective scores in the 'All-comers' make up the highest aggregate. Entrance fee, $1.00. Four prizes.

13. ALL-COMERS' AGGREGATE.—For competitors whose respective scores in the 'Any Rifle' and 'Association' make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

14. LONG RANGE AGGREGATE.—For competitors whose respective scores in the 'Any Rifle' and 'Association' make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

Aggregate open to Members.

15. FAREWELL CUP.—Silver cup presented by the Civilian Members of the Hongkong Rifle Association. Open to the Officers of the 58th Regt., and to be won by the highest aggregate score made in the 1st Stage Queen's. Entrance fee, none.

16. NURSERY AGGREGATE.—Restricted to competitors who have never won a First or Second prize at any previous prize meeting in Hongkong and whose respective scores at 200 and 500 yards in the Queen's 1st Stage make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

17. HANDICAP AGGREGATE.—For competitors whose respective scores (with monthly challenge cup points added) at 200 and 500 yards in the Queen's First Stage make up the highest aggregates. Entrance fee, $1.00. Two prizes.

18. QUEEN'S AGGREGATES.—For competitors whose respective scores in the 'Queen's three stages' make up the highest aggregate. 1st Stages 200, 500 and 600 yards. 2nd Stages 500 and 600 yards. 3rd Stages 800 and 900 yards. 1st Prize, Silver Cup presented, value $100. 9 money prizes, value $100.

And in connection with the above, 3 EXTRA MONEY PRIZES for aggregates in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd stages.

Also, A MATCH RIFLE with 300 rounds of ammunition, presented, for the competitor whose scores in 'All-comers,' 'President's, and 'First' and 'Second Stages' make up the highest aggregate. Winner of Cup excluded from taking this prize. Entrance fee, $2.00.

SWEEP-STAKES at Running Man and Vanishing Target. Open to all-comers during the meeting. Any Rifle.

POOLS at 200, 500 yards and Saucer. Open to all comers, M.H. Rifle or Carbine.

Conditions &c.

1. To avoid delay, intending competitors are strongly advised to enter and obtain tickets for the various competitions before the date of the meeting. Application to be made to the Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Club.

2. Post entries will be accepted on the ground.

Sights, Paper or sliding wind-gauges on above, are not allowed.

Persons wishing to join the H.K. Association should send their names, with that of proposer and seconder, to the Hon. Secretary not later than Thursday, noon, 8th November.

Entrance fee $5.00. Ladies $1.00.

The above programme is subject to alteration. Programmes will be issued in the course of two or three weeks.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Hon. Secretary,
HONGKONG CLUB.

Hongkong, 8th October, 1888. [[illegible]

Commercial.

TO-DAY.

THE SHARE MARKET.

5 o'clock.—

Another sensational rush on Luzons is the most important item in to-day's programme. The operator who has taken this most uncertain of all local stocks under his special protection came down like 'a wolf on the fold,' and as there were really only a very few shares in the market, it was an easy job to run them up to 82 for the end of the month, on which conditions business to a small extent is stated to have been done. So far as we can gather from usually well informed sources there is actually nothing to justify this Luzon "boom;" it is nothing more nor less than a speculative venture which, so far, has been singularly successful. Those who can read between the lines may find a hint here that will probably prove worth taking. Banks have been made the medium of a fair business at 150½ and 151 for the end of the month, also at 155 and 156 for December, and the stock closed firm and in good demand. Sales of Yangtsze Insurances have been booked at 96, and further shares might be placed at that rate. China Fires have been done at 73 per share and Docks at 34 per cent. premium, and both these stocks are wanted at these quotations. A few lots of China and Manilas have been transferred at 120, and there are still buyers. China Sugars have changed hands at 184 for cash, and some "time" business at 189 for February has been reported. Other quotations speak for themselves, but it is perhaps as well to point out that the 45 per cent. discount quoted for the scrip of the Austin Arms Hotel Co. is merely on the $20 paid up—that is to say business has been done at $11 per share.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—151 per cent. premium, sales and buyers.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—$85 per share, sellers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—$68 per share, sellers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 285 per share, buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—$97 per share, buyers.
Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 96 per share, sales and sellers.
Chinese Insurance Company—$165 per share, buyers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150, per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—$335 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—$73 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, 34 per cent. premium, sales and buyers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—$218 per share, sellers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—120 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong Gas Company—$135 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Hotel Company,—$165 per share, sellers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—17 per cent. dis., sellers.
Douglas Steamship Company—$53 per share, sellers.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$184 per share, sales and buyers.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$82 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong Ice Company—$82½ per share, buyers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited,—$80 per share.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—$13½ per share, buyers.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—100 per cent. premium, sellers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—3 per cent. premium.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. premium.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—$75 per share, sellers.
Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—$5 per share, nominal.
Punjom and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Co.—$10⅝ per share, sellers.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—60 per cent. premium, sellers.
Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—75 per cent. premium, buyers.
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—280 per cent. premium.
The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—$48 per share, sellers.
Cruickshank & Co., Ld.,—$50 per share, sellers.
The Steam Launch Co., Limited—15 per cent. premium, sellers.
The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—45 per cent. dis., nominal.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T.	3/0⅝
Bank Bills, on demand	3/0⅞
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	3/1
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	3/1⅛
Credits at 4 months' sight	3/1⅛
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight	3/1⅛
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	3.81
Credits, at 4 months' sight	3.97
ON INDIA, T. T.	223
On Demand	223½
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank, T. T.	72¾
Private, 30 days' sight	73

OPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.

NEW MALWA, per picul	$675
OLD MALWA, per picul	$645
NEW PATNA, (without choice) per chest	$567½
NEW PATNA, (first choice) per chest	$570
NEW PATNA, (bottom) per chest	$580
NEW PATNA, (second choice) per chest	$565
NEW BENARES, (without choice) per chest	$553¾
NEW BENARES, (bottom) per chest	$563¾
OLD BENARES, per chest	$558¾
OLD BENARES, (bottom) per chest	$568¾
NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul	$630
OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul	$600
OLD PERSIAN (second quality) per picul	$580

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Register).

To-day.	
Barometer—9 a.m.	30.21
Barometer—1 p.m.	30.10
Barometer—4 p.m.	30.09
Thermometer—9 a.m.	70
Thermometer—1 p.m.	75
Thermometer—4 p.m.	75
Thermometer—9 a.m. (Wet bulb)	60
Thermometer—1 p.m. (Wet bulb)	64
Thermometer—4 p.m. (Wet bulb)	66
Thermometer—Maximum	78
Thermometer—Minimum (over night)	70

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICLA REGISTER.

24th October, 1888.—At 4 p.m.

STATION	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Faht.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	30.12	36	...	SE	0	o	...
Tokio	30.34	...	...	...	1	...	...
Nagasaki	30.37	...	...	E	0	...	...
Shanghai	30.25	65	73	ESE	3	o	...
Amoy	30.15	70	54	E	3	b	...
Hongkong	30.14	76	52	W	1	b	...
Haiphong	30.04	70	69	ENE	0	d	...
Bolinao	29.93	81	75	SE	0	c	...
Manila	29.89	75	100	N	1	c	0.30

25th October 1888—At 10 a.m.

STATION	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Faht.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	30.13	44	77	SE	1	f	...
Tokio	30.39	...	...	NW	0	...	...
Nagasaki	30.23	...	...	NNE	0	...	...
Shanghai	30.21	60	88	NW	1	c	...
Amoy	30.20	69	70	W	0	b	...
Hongkong	30.19	72	42	NE	1	b	...
Haiphong	30.19	75	84	E	1	d	...
Bolinao	29.94	83	83	SE	0	c	...
Manila	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

The barometer has fallen and gradients for north-east winds are decreasing. Clear, cool and rather dry weather prevails.

1—Barometer reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths. 2—Temperature in the shade in degrees, Fahrenheit. 3—Humidity in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100. 4—Direction of the wind to two points. 5—Force of the wind according to Beaufort scale. 6—State of the weather, b Blue sky, c Detached clouds, d Drizzling rain, f Fog, g Gloomy, h Hail, l Lightning, o Overcast, p Passing showers, q Squally, r Rain, s Snow, t Thunder, v Visibility, w Dew, wet. 7—Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

W. DOBERCK.

Hongkong Observatory, 25th October, 1888.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ravenna*, with the next English mail, left Singapore at 9 a.m., on the 25th instant, and is expected here on or about the 30th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Gaelic*, with the American mail of 29th ultimo, left Yokohama for this port on the 24th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 30th.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s steamer *Taisang*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 20th instant for this port, and is expected here on the 26th.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Deccan*, from Bombay, left Singapore for this port on Sunday, the 21st instant, at 5 p.m., and is due here on the 27th.

The 'Glen' line steamer *Glenshiel*, from New York, left Singapore on the 22nd instant, and is expected here on the 28th.

The 'Shire' line steamer *Pembrokeshire*, from London, &c., left Singapore on the 23rd instant, and is expected here on the 30th.

The Navigazione Generale Italiana Co.'s steamer *Bormida*, left Singapore on the 25th instant, and is expected here on the 30th.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

SEPTIMA, German steamer, 783, P. Hansen, 24th October,—Kobe 17th October, Coals.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

ANTON, German steamer, 396, E. Aereboe, 24th October,—Swatow 23rd October, Ballast.—Wieler & Co.

STORE NORDISKE, Danish steamer, 596, E. Suenson, 25th Oct.,—Cruise 14th October.—Great Northern Telegraph Co.

HEVER, German steamer, 340, B. Dethlefsen, 25th Oct.,—Whampoa 25th Oct., General.—Siemssen & Co.

YANGTSZE, German steamer, 814, C. Tonningsen, 25th Oct.,—Whampoa 25th Oct., General.—Siemssen & Co.

ANADYR, French steamer, 2,489, Delacroix, 25th Oct.,—Marseilles 23rd Sept., Alexandria 28th, Port Said 29th, Suez 30th, Aden 4th Oct., Colombo 11th, Singapore 18th, and Saigon 22nd, Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Hever, German steamer, for Newchwang.
Nestor, British steamer, for Singapore.
Albany, British steamer, for Amoy, &c.
Haitan, British steamer, for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

October 24, *Ingraban*, German steamer, for Whampoa.
October 24, *Hector*, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.
October 24, *Kobe Maru*, Japanese steamer, for Yokohama.
October 25, *Albany*, British str., for Amoy, &c.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Anton*, str., from Swatow.—160 Chinese.

Per *Anadyr*, str., from Marseilles for Hongkong,—Mr. and Mrs. Sauvée, and Mr. Bramwell. From Singapore.—Messrs. Marshall, Mertens, and 2 Chinese. From Saigon.—272 Chinese. From Marseilles for Shanghai.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Ballard and infant, Mrs. V. de Mayer, Mrs. de Barreau, Mrs. L. Belle, Mrs. Bosch, Mrs. Laurent, Miss Straatmann, Mr. Bisene, Revs. D. Lessens, R. de Omer, and J. Stragier. From Singapore.—Mr. V. de Mayer (Belgian Minister), and Mr. England. From Saigon.—Mr. and Mrs. Ogandox. Messrs. Liding, Marrache, and Bussan. From Marseilles for Kobe.—Mr. and Mrs. Perard and infant. For Yokohama.—Mr. and Mrs. Dittrich, Messrs. Y. Wada, S. Fukouzawa, and F. Fukouzawa. From Singapore.—Messrs. Baird, Listamis, Hinnebery, Askimales, Vice, and Köhler. From Saigon.—Mr. Jeampierre.

REPORTS.

The German steamship *Septima* reports that she left Kobe on the 17th instant. From the 19th to 23rd instant had heavy storms outside from north to north-east.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE

For Singapore.—Per *Deuteros*, to-morrow, the 26th instant, at 1.30 P.M.

For Ningpo and Shanghai.—Per *Yangtsze*, to-morrow, the 26th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Yokohama and San Francisco.—Per *City of Rio de Janeiro*, on Saturday, the 27th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

For Singapore, Java, Port Darwin, Sydney, and Melbourne.—Per *Ghazee*, on Saturday, the 27th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Swatow, Amoy, & Tamsui.—Per *Fokien*, on Saturday, the 27th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per *Ancona*, on Saturday, the 27th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Europe, &c.—Per *Neckar*, on Saturday, the 27th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Europe, &c., Australia, Madras, Calcutta, and Mauritius.—Per *Djemnah*, on Wednesday, the 31st instant, at 11.00 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

ANGERS, British steamer, 2,077, Pinkham, 24th Oct.,—Sydney, and Brisbane 5th October, Coals.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

ANCONA, British steamer, 3,142, W. J. Webber, 21st Oct.,—Yokohama 15th Oct., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO, American steamer, 3,548, Wm. Ward, 15th Oct.,—San Francisco 19th Sept., and Yokohama 10th Oct., Mails and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.

CRUSADER, British steamer, 674, Ogston, 25th Sept.,—Manila 22nd Sept., General.—Soey Sing.

DEUTEROS, German steamer, 1,100, Iwersen, 24th Oct.,—Swatow 23rd Oct., General.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

FALKENBURG, German steamer, 989, H. Bantels, 11th Oct.—Saigon 24th Sept., Rice.—Melchers & Co.

FAME, British steamer, 117, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

FOOKSANG, British steamer, 999, Sawer, 12th Oct.,—Whampoa 12th October, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

GHAZEE, British steamer, 1,764, Scotland, 16th Oct.,—Java, *viâ* Singapore, 23rd Sept., Sugar.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

GLENORCHY, British steamer, 1,821, F. Gedye, 22nd Oct.,—London 8th Sept., and Singapore 16th Oct., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HAITAN, British steamer, 1,182, S. Ashton, 23rd October,—Foochow 19th October, Amoy 21st, and Swatow 22nd, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.

INDEPENDENT, German steamer, 871, W. J. Schafer, 23rd October,—Bangkok 15th Oct., Rice.—Wieler & Co.

LAERTES, British steamer, 1,191, R. F. Scale, 23rd October,—Glasgow 1st Sept., Liverpool 8th, and Singapore 16th Oct., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

MELITA, German steamer, 339, H. Morck, 20th Oct.,—Hoihow 19th October, General.—Wieler & Co.

NAMOA, British steamer, 863, T. G. Pocock, 17th Oct.,—Foochow 14th October, Amoy 15th, and Swatow 16th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.

NESTOR, British steamer, 1,269, J. S. Thompson, 24th Oct.,—Shanghai 21st Oct., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

PALAMED, British steamer, 1,536, C. Jackson, 24th Oct.,—London 6th Sept., and Singapore 17th October, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

PHRA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,011, Jas. Fowler, 19th October,—Bangkok 13th Oct., General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

PHUQUOC, French steamer, 183, Robins, 11th Oct.,—Macao 11th October, Ballast.—Wing Tai.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

VISAYAS, Spanish steamer, 406, J. de Ajubita, 8th Oct.,—Manila, *viâ* Amoy 4th October, General.—Ban Ho.

WESTMEATH, British steamer, 2,000, Stonehouse, 23rd Oct.,—Java 13th October, Sugar.—Order.

SAILING VESSELS.

ADOLPH, German bark, 867, E. Westergaard, 5th August,—Hamburg 19th April, General.—Order.

CARRIER DOVE, British bark, 1,026, A. Forsyth, 7th Oct.,—Kobe 16th September, General,—Order.

DIANE, Norwegian bark, 764, J. Petersen, 2nd Oct.,—Sourabaya 23rd August, Sugar.—Order.

ERLKOENIG, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination hulk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese Customs.

FIGARO, German bark, 1,006, G. Heinzel, 6th October,—Singapore 12th Sept., Timber.—Melchers & Co.

FOOCHOW, Siamese brig, 300, O. C. S. Schmiegelow, 11th Oct.,—Bangkok 13th Sept., Timber.—Chinese.

GOV. GOODWIN, American ship, 1,459, S. Pray, 1st Oct.,—Kobe 20th Sept., Coal.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

GREAT ADMIRAL, American ship, 1,497, James F. Rowell, 18th Sept.,—San Francisco 28th July, Flour.—Russell & Co.

HATTIE E. TAPLEY, British bark, 907, J. McConnachy, 5th Sept.,—Sandakan 15th August, Timber.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

HONOLULU, British ship, 1,599, Leavy, 2nd Oct.,—Shanghai 24th Sept., Ballast.—Melchers & Co.

H. PRINTZENBERG, German bark, 553, H. Ahrens, 21st Oct.,—Honolulu 31st August, Ballast.—Melchers & Co.

ITON, French bark, 542, Begnier, 10th October,—London 20th May, General.—Melchers & Co.

JOHN MCLEOD, British ship, 1,500, J. B. Stuart, 21st Sept.,—Hamburg 20th May, General.—Siemssen & Co.

JOHN M. BLAIKIE, British ship, 1,778, D. F. Faulkner, 8th Oct.,—New York 25th June, Kerosene Oil.—Order.

LEADING WIND, American ship, 1,159, F. M. Hinckley, 9th October,—New York 16th May, Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co.

MARY L. STONE, American ship, 1,420, Carver, 13th Oct.,—Shanghai 20th Oct., General.—Pustau & Co.

MONTIARA, German schooner, 75, Otto Kessler, 21st Oct.,—Yap (Caroline Island), 3rd Oct., General.—Siemssen & Co.

NAUPACTUS, British ship, 1,399, Lovitt, 4th Oct.,—Philadelphia 12th May, Kerosine Oil.—Master.

P. N. BLANCHARD, American ship, 1,503, M. W. Blanchard, 25th Sept.,—Hiogo (Japan) 5th Sept., General.—Siemssen & Co.

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STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Taisang	Calcutta	October 26th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Deccan	Bombay	October 27th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Glenshiel	New York	October 28th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Gaelic	San Francisco	October 30th	O. & O. S. S. Co.
Pembrokeshire	London	October 30th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Ravenna	London	October 30th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Bormida	Singapore	October 31st	Carlowitz & Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, via Suez Canal	Ningchow	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	About Oct. 27th.
London, via Suez Canal	Telamon	Butterfield & Swire	October 31st.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Djemnah	Messageries Maritimes.	Oct. 31st, at noon.
Bremen, & Ports of Call	Neckar	Melchers & Co.	Oct. 28th, at 10 a.m.
New York, via Suez Canal.	Spindrift	Russell & Co.	Oct. 30th, at noon.
San Francisco, via Y'hama	City of Rio de Janeiro	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Oct. 27th, at 3 p.m.
San Francisco, via Y'hama	Gaelic	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Nov. 7th, at 3 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via K., &c.	Batavia	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Nov. 15th, at 3 p.m.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c.	Ghazee	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Oct. 27th, at 6 p.m.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c.	Tannadice	Russell & Co.	About Nov. 2nd.
Sourabaya, via Saigon, &c.	Nerbudda	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About Oct. 29th.
Yokohama, via N'saki, &c.	Ancona	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Oct. 28th, daylight.
Kobe and Yokohama	Pembrokeshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	October 31st.
Kobe	Septima	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Oct. 29th, at 5 p.m.
Nagasaki, Kobe, &c.	Laertes	Butterfield & Swire	To-morrow, daylight.
Shanghai, Kobe, &c.	Anadyr	Messageries Maritimes	To-morrow, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Palamed	Butterfield & Swire	To-morrow, daylight.
Shanghai	Ravenna	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
Shanghai	Kutsang	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Oct. 27th, at 4 p.m.
Ningpo and Shanghai	Yangtsze	Siemssen & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy, &c.	Fokien	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Oct. 28th, daylight.
Coast Ports	Haitan	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	To-morrow, daylight.

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